(b) if so, the details of the scheme including the initial rent fixed for such godowns;

(c) whether the rent was increased once and thereafter cut down arbitarily; and

(d) the rent being paid as at present?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) and (b). A scheme known as A.R.D.C. scheme was introduced in 1976-77 under which Food Corporation of India (FCI) undertook to hire godowns constructed by private parties as per the required specifications. The rents of these godowns, as per the scheme, were fixed within a ceiling of 50 paise per square foot in urban areas and 40 paise per square foot in rural areas. The godowns were hired for a guaranteed period of five years extendable by one more year at FCI's discretion

(c) and (d). The rents of the godowns were not varied during the guarantee period In cases where the godowns were retained after the guarantee period, the rents payable were negotiated and determined by the zonal/regional heads of FCI under the powers delegated to them.

New Project in the Hindustan Latex Limited, in Kerala

5379. SHRI KODIKKUNIL SURESH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to set up any new project in the Hindustan Latex Limited in Kerala;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the achievement of the Hindustan Latex Limited during 1991-92;

(d) whether any foreign countries have offered to assist in the production of condoms in the company; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) and (b) Hindustan Latex Ltd , have plans to set up the following projects in Kerala:

(i) Copper T (IUD) Project

(ii) Centchroman (SAHELI) –Oral Contraceptive Project.

(iii) Blood Bag Project

(iv) Hydrocephalus Shunt Project. In addition, the following projects are in very preliminary stage of formulation by Hindustan Latex Ltd

(i) I.V. Fluid Project

(ii) Urology Catheters Project

(iii) Injectable Contraceptive Project.

(c) Hindustan Latex Ltd. has produced 455 million pcs. of condoms and despatched 411 million pcs from April to December 1991 The total sales turn-over is Rs. 2250 lakhs The same trend is expected to be maintained by the company during January to March 1992

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise

[*Translation*]

Railway Projection Force

5380. SHRI BRIJ BHUSHAN SHARAN SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state: